

E.A. THOMPSON D. G. CO.

We start a Sale of RUGS and LINOLEUMS

this week that beats anything we have ever offered

¶ Having decided to discontinue the Smith make of Rugs, we will close out our very large line of these well known goods at Cost! All this make of Rugs in Axminster, Velvet and Tapestry Brussels will be sold at Wholesale Prices until the last one is gone!

¶ We have a large assortment of beautiful patterns to suit every taste. Come early while there is a good choice.

¶ We will also make decided reductions in the prices of Linoleum's for a short time.

Visit Our New Up-to-Date Department of Ladies' Outer Garments

the finest in this section and filled with the Newest Correct Styles in Coats, Suits; Skirts Dresses and Waists.

¶ We show city styles at small town prices

Seed Potatoes!

I will have a Car of Seed and Eating Potatoes on Track
THURSDAY, FRIDAY, and SATURDAY
of this week

Ohio \$1.15 per bu.
Rose 95c per bu.
Eating 90c per bu.

For Spot Cash at the Car

Mark C. Hawkins

Mrs. Otis Norton and baby of Palmyra, came in Saturday to visit relatives. Mrs. Norton left Monday for St. Louis where she will join her husband who has been with relatives in Davis for several weeks. Mr. Norton expects to undergo another operation this week, and as soon as he is able will be taken to their home in Palmyra. Little Reta Norton is spending the week with her aunt, Mrs. Lee Pierceall.

Janesville and John Deere Disk Cultivators at A. Jaeger's Hdw.

Miss Gertrude Luster arrived Monday morning from Quincy to trim this season for Miss Sallie Rouse. She is an experienced trimmer, having trimmed for seven seasons.

J. T. S. Hickman of Hannibal, was greeting old friends here yesterday.

Thomas Christian departed Sunday for his home at Carstairs, Alberta, Canada, after a three months visit with relatives and friends here. He is a splendid young man and is doing well in Canada, but such men as Tom Christian would do well anywhere.

Garden seed in the bulk at Bert Bull's. 3-26

Charles Johnson and wife have moved here from Brookfield. Mr. Johnson has accepted a position as pharmacist in the Woodson Drug Store. The Johnsons are pleasant people and are making many friends.

Shipment beautiful Head Stones just arrived.—J. J. Brown, Mgr.

Miss Ethel Young, of Ely spent Friday with Miss Willie Maddox.

Buy your Spring Clothes from Lane The Tailor. Suits \$25 to 40.

Celebrated St. Patrick's Day.

The second social committee of the Rebekah Lodge secured the services of the Murphy family of Tipperary Island for a little entertainment after their regular meeting Tuesday evening.

They were very kindly received by a large and appreciative audience and on their departure expressed their appreciation of courteous treatment. Late in the evening refreshments were served.

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Mrs. Jasper McClintic is critically ill, suffering from erysipelas and complications.

Bert Bull expects to leave Thursday for Florida where he will join his wife and son, Francis who have been there for several weeks. Mr. Bull will be away about two weeks.

Rhode Island Red eggs for sale. Eggs from the pen \$1.25 for 15. Range eggs \$3.00 per 100.—Mrs. J. S. Elzea. 3-26

M. T. Lawless and daughter went to Hannibal Thursday. The latter is having considerable trouble with her eyes and went to consult Dr. Howell.

Sechler Buggies have stood the test. Wade & Dawson.

The Symphony Club gave a dance at the Symphony hall Tuesday evening. The hall was beautifully decorated in green in keeping with the day. The Symphony Orchestra furnished the music. About fifteen couples were present.

J. Wilson Smith has a position in the U. S. Railway service and with his family has moved to St. Louis. They are good people and Mr. Smith will continue to advance in the service.

Miss Bettie Durbin and niece, Miss Rena Leake, of Hunnewell spent yesterday in this city.

GOOD ROADS



NEED OF ROAD IMPROVEMENT

One of Essentials to Prosperity of Country is Good Highways—Special Action Necessary.

(By RALPH PARSHALL, Colorado Agricultural College.)

A busy growing nation such as ours certainly requires internal improvements to keep pace with its prosperity. Our prosperity is measured by industrial activities and such activities are scattered in all parts of our great commonwealth.

There are several essentials to promote this growth, and one of the chief of these is that of good roads or highways.

Investigations have shown that the average horse can exert at a walking pace a traction pull of about one-eighth to one-tenth his weight. Assuming this to be about the correct value, what effect will the kind of road have upon the load the horse is able to pull?

On an asphalt pavement it requires 30 to 70 pounds pull to move one ton, on a sand road 100 to 200 pounds pull to move the same load. We might conclude that the limits are 30 to 250 pounds for the best to the poorest surface. This one horse, say of 1,500 pounds weight, could draw a load of five tons on the smooth asphalt pavement and only 1,200 pounds on the soft sand road. These figures are only approximately correct since they are average values, but sufficiently close to give us some idea of the relative value of good and poor road surfaces.

Before any district or state can fully realize the value of good roads, special action on its part must be necessary. This action must embrace three things; a non-political organization, whose purpose is to provide good roads; a practical and economical construction, and maintenance.

There should be one or more good business men on the board of control, a lawyer of some years' experience should be a member and there should be represented on the board of control



An Improved Michigan Road.

an engineer who knows his business. The engineer should also be chief engineer of the construction with as many assistants as necessary to carry on the work of road building. Some states of our commonwealth have made the state engineer the chief engineer of a road commission whose personnel is composed of business men, lawyers, and engineers who receive no salary and are appointed by the governor of the state for a definite period of time.

There are several methods of organization and only experience will eliminate the undesirable elements, leaving the good. What might be successful in one part of the country may be unsuccessful in another.

Sum of Duty.

Do naught to other which, if done to thee, would cause thee pain; this is the sum of duty.—Mahabharata.

Must Be Persistent.

The art of convincing is never given to the man who is unwilling to persist in an effort to convince.

Lobsters in England.

About 80,000 lobsters are taken during the season in England. They come mostly from Devon and Norway.

Big Business corporations, American and foreign and individuals that have large holdings or valuable concessions in that turbulent country are trying to plunge this country into war with poor old Mexico. They are being encouraged by commercial interests in this country that would profit immensely by war. The American citizens who are feeling the burdens of taxation are not anxious to hear the tale. We are now paying \$100,000,000 for the support of the army; nearly \$150,000,000 for the navy; and \$200,000,000 in pensions, annually. We are not especially anxious to increase these figures. It is not probable that we shall be buffed into war, but if we are, certain belligerent members of the House and Senate should be commissioned at once and sent to the front.—Democratic Bulletin.

Orborne Discs, Moline Discs, Captain Kidd Disc Cultivators, Bull Dog Disc Cultivators, Best Ever Moline Gang Plows, Buster Brown Gang Plows, and all the best lines of machinery at

Wade & Dawson's.

Mrs. Grace Worth and son, Master Laurel, of Ottawa, Kansas have been guests of her mother, Mrs. J. D. Hills for the past week. Monday both ladies left for Macomb, Ill., to visit another daughter of Mrs. Hills, Mrs. Pearl Price.

We are all anxious to see the new railroad put into operation, but before you see these improvements you should go to Hanly & Green's and see those new suits for Spring.

Although defeated in my race for the office of City Collector, I feel under obligations to my many friends who assisted me in the campaign, and take this means of expressing my appreciation. I feel that Mr. Johnstone made a good clean race, and is a good man for the place.

Yours Very Truly,

Alexis Hays.

J. A. Jackson and family, of Elvaston, Ill., were guests of his mother, Mrs. Alice Jackson, the first of the week.

For Sale or Rent--6 acres adjoining city with 6-room house.--C. F. Dierks.

John R. Faby's health is such that he has to go to Quincy in a few days to undergo an operation. His friends hope he will be restored to good health again.

For Sale.

Yearling Shorthorn Bull. Fine color. L. O. Wilson. F. & M. Phone 64 D.

Mrs. W. T. Bell of Stoutsville, was the guest of Mrs. J. S. Starrett Tuesday night. She spent Wednesday in Hunnewell with her father, Dr. Davis.

Mr. Raymond Lewis will be glad to meet his friends at Hanly & Green's Saturday and show them the new things in spring suitings. They're beauties.

Mrs. F. T. Blackwood who has been spending a week with her sister, Mrs. James Palmer returned to her home in Quincy Tuesday. Mrs. Palmer accompanied her home for a short visit.

Sechler buggies are guaranteed perfect in every way. See the new styles at Wade & Dawson's.

Pearl McReynolds, of Palmyra spent Tuesday in this city with his parents, Rev. M. L. McReynolds and wife.

The most up-to-date line of Buggies and Surries can be seen at A. Jaeger's Hardware. Ask to see our Special. It's a peach.

George Dye, of Clarence spent Tuesday to visit relatives.